Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 GENEVA 00644 031822Z

47
ACTION IO-10

INFO OCT-01 EA-10 ISO-00 L-02 ACDA-10 AF-06 ARA-10 EUR-12

NEA-09 RSC-01 SSO-00 INRE-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00 CIAE-00

DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01

SP-02 SS-15 DPW-01 IOE-00 /109 W
---------- 009025
O R 031803Z FEB 75
FM USMISSION GENEVA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 390
INFO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK
AMEMBASSY SAIGON
AMEMBASSY BERN
USDEL JEC PARIS

UNCLAS GENEVA 0644

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ICRC,PARM, US, VN
SUBJ: PRG ISSUE AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE

1. SESSION OF DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE ON
INTL HUMANITARIAN LAW CONVENED IN GENEVA ON FEB 3
BY SWISS PRESIDENT AND CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN GRABER.

2. DURING INTIAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE,
MORNING OF FEB 3, GRABER PUT FORWARD AGENDA FORMULATED
BY BUREAU OF CONFERENCE. POINT 3 OF AGENDA WAS
ENTITLED "CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION CCDH/202
ENTITLED "QUESTION OF THE PARTICIPATION OF SOUTH
VIETNAM IN THE CONFERENCE"." (THIS DRAFT TRANS-
MITTED GENEVA 603). ALDRICH, CHAIRMAN OF USDEL, ON
POINT OF ORDER OBJECTED TO INCLUSION OF POINT 3 ON
AGENDA AND REQUESTED RULING FROM CHAIRMAN WHETHER
TWO-THIRDS (RULE 32) OR SIMPLE MAJORITY (RULE 35)
VOTE REQUIRED TO INCLUDE ITEM 3 ON AGENDA. ALDRICH
ARGUED THAT TWO-THIRDS REQUIRED TO REOPEN DISCUSSION
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 GENEVA 00644 031822Z

ON PRG ISSUE.

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006

3. GRABER APPEARED NOT TO UNDERSTAND ISSUE.
FIRST, HE SAID HE WOULD RULE IN FAVOR OF INCLUDING
THE ITEM. ALDRICH NOTED THAT HE HAD REQUESTED
RULING ON VOTING MAJORITY AND NOT ON INCLUSION OF
ITEM. GRABER THEN ASKED WHETHER THERE WAS ANY
OBJECTION TO ADOPTION OF AGENDA, AND ALDRICH OBJECTED.
GRABER THEN SAID THERE WOULD BE VOTE ON ITEM 3 OF
AGENDA AS PROCEDURAL MATTER UNDER RULE 35 PARA 2,
AND ALDRICH OBJECTED.

4. GRABER CALLED TEN MINUTE BREAK. DURING
BREAK GRABER, ALDRICH, EGYPTIANS AND OTHERS DISCUSSED
SITUATION. IT AGREED TO ADOPT AGENDA WITHOUT PREJUDICE
TO USDEL'S RIGHT TO MAKE MOTION ON TUES. MORNING FEB 4, AT
COMMENCEMENT OF DISCUSSION OF ITEM 3, CONCERNED WHAT
VOTING MAJORITY REQUIRED TO REOPEN CONSIDERATION OF
ITEM. GRABER ANNOUNCED THIS RESULT AND PLENARY
ADJOURNED.

5. WE THEREFORE EXPECT ISSUE OF TWO-THIRDS
VERSU SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE TO BE PUT FEB 4.
GRABER SAID THAT, IN ANY EVENT, HE WOULD ATTEMPT NOT TO PER-
MIT DISCUSSION IN PLENARY TO RUN BEYOND FEB 5.
DALE

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: HUMAN RIGHTS, INTERNATIONAL LAW, LAW OF WAR, MEETINGS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION, MEMBER ADMISSIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 03 FEB 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975GENEVA00644
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750039-0154
From: GENEVA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750278/aaaacsry.tel
Line Count: 86
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ElyME
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 23 APR 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <23 APR 2003 by MarshK0>; APPROVED <07 JAN 2004 by ElyME>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PRG ISSUE AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE
TAGS: PARM, US, VN, ICRC
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006